

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 29, with the following:

As can be seen more clearly from the enlarged detail view of the edge of the heat exchanging element 3 in FIG. 4, the channel walls 18 and 19 are arranged substantially parallel to one another and substantially perpendicular to the plane formed by the central area 4. The channel bottom does not extend in any case underneath the central area 4. The distance d is thus 0 in the limiting case or, as shown, greater than 0. In other words, the connecting element (for example, channel bottom 22) that connects to a corresponding connecting feature of the continuous flow heater does not cross a plane that intersects and is parallel to the central area. This allows the heating element 2, especially the heating sections 5 to be applied in a simple manner to the outer surface 14 of the central area 4 by a printing method.